

A Regular Town Board meeting was held on May 7, 2020, at Lysander Town Hall, 8220 Loop Road, Baldwinsville, New York.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Robert A. Wicks, Supervisor
Peter Moore, Councilor
Robert Geraci, Councilor
Jeffrey Kudarauskas, Councilor
Roman Diamond, Councilor

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Dina Falcone Town Clerk, Anthony Rivizzigno, Town Attorney, Al Yager, Town Engineer, and PAC-B.

* This meeting was not open to the public due to the COVID-19 restrictions regarding public meetings. This meeting was transcribed from a Phillips Voice Tracker recording device.

Supervisor Wicks called the meeting to order at 6:07 PM with the Pledge to the Flag.

Supervisor Wicks: *The minutes have been distributed and as long as you had a chance to read them, are there any corrections? Okay, can I get a motion to adopt the minutes from April 16th?*

Adoption of Minutes

RES#89/2020

Motion by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to adopt the April 16, 2020 Town Board Meeting minutes.

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| Supervisor Wicks | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Geraci | Aye |
| Councilor Moore | Aye | Councilor Diamond | Aye | | |

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried and adopted

Supervisor Wicks: *Supervisor's comments. The County Executive during his briefing today, stated that the County is going to – or already did receive or did receive 29% less in tax receipts from last year, so they are 29% down from the first quarter of last year, and that is only with a partial shutdown so the next quarter they are anticipating should be even less than that. Or more than that, less tax revenue, and according to the County Executive, if the County doesn't get help, then it's from the Federal Government, it is going to be very bad after June. He didn't explain what very bad meant, but it can't be good for the rest of the residents. Now in saying that, the Town, we have been cutting back since the shutdown since the early part of March, once we saw that this was going to hit the town, I have been going to the town departments and we have been looking, with the HW Superintendent, with the Engineer, with everybody in the town and we have been looking for ways to have savings, and we have been very frugal with what we are spending. We still have to spend money but any place we can save, we are looking to save and right now, I am looking at over \$100K and I am estimating were are able to save so far. Employees are back to work. But we only have 50% of the non-essential workers here, which is, and the other 50% they are working, but they are working from home, and we have no control over that, that's a directive from the Governor, and that is going to go through at least until March 15th. I'm sorry, May 15th. We are still having discussions about the park, we had a conference call today with all of the Town Supervisors throughout the county, and you know we were talking about parks as far as playgrounds tennis courts, basketball courts, fields and pavilions, and the challenge is that we will have, if they were to be open, and right now we are waiting for guidance from the CDC and the department of health before any discussions are made countywide, in fact, the Association is looking to get the County Executive to get on a conference call next week to discuss with him but the Department of Health and the CDC guidelines are going to be as far as with the county and will probably follow suit with that. Right now, most towns are leaning, and most towns and villages are leaning towards not opening up the parks because there is just a lot of problems and there's really, nobody has any goo information on how we would be able to keep people safe. Earlier in our work session we had some discussion about that and we haven't made any definitive decisions as far as the parks, but we are going to try and open up as much of the park as we can; the park is still open but obviously the pavilions, the tennis courts, the basketball courts, the playgrounds are still closed and are going to be closed until further notice.*

None of the fields - the soccer fields, the baseball fields they shouldn't be utilized right now until we get the okay from the County Executive and the state as far as what we are doing with that. That's all I have. Comments from the Councilors? Mr. Kudauraskas?

Councilor Kudauraskas: *I just hope everyone is staying safe during this new norm and practicing social distancing.*

Councilor Moore: *I would like to take this opportunity to wish all mothers, grandmothers, stepmothers, aunts, anyone in the capacity of a mother - wish them a Happy Mother's Day.*

Supervisor Wicks: *I got a note to pick my wife up a card... I got a note on my keys so I don't forget. Thanks for reminding me... wouldn't be good...!*

Councilor Diamond: *I'd like to stick to the agenda and thank everyone who's watching on PAC-B.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Mr. Rivizzigno?*

Attorney Rivizzigno: *I have nothing.*

Councilor Geraci: *I just want to make a clarification based on something we discussed in work session, and correct me if I'm wrong but the park, the Lysander Town Park - the trail is currently open. So if you want to walk your dog, go for a walk, or a hike or a run, you can use that - what is not open, and unfortunately has to stay that way until further notice, are any of the facilities, so unless I am incorrect on that - I didn't want to give people the impression the park itself is closed, because it's not - and the good thing about this, at least from what I am seeing from the County is all open but County Parks are open within certain guidelines of social distancing, and I think this is important because fresh air, Vitamin D, getting out of the house, emotionally, psychologically, whatever, is so important as we go through this, so I am hopeful that more things can open up, but for at least now you can use the trails and get out there and enjoy the sunshine that comes out occasionally. That's all I got.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Anything Mr. Yager?*

Mr. Yager: *No sir.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Okay, then we will move on to the regular agenda items.*

Regular Agenda Items

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE INTERMUNICIPAL WASTEWATER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF ONONDAGA AND TOL

RES#90/2020

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Diamond to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the Intermunicipal Wastewater Agreement between the County of Onondaga and the Town of Lysander. *(This is a one year agreement).*

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| Supervisor Wicks | Aye | Councilor Kudauraskas | Aye | Councilor Geraci | Aye |
| Councilor Moore | Aye | Councilor Diamond | Aye | | |

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Attorney Rivizzigno: *Are you sure that's a three year agreement?*

Supervisor Wicks: *That's what it has on my... let me see, I got it right here...*

Attorney Rivizzigno: *It goes through December...*

Mr. Yager: *It's a one year agreement.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Oh, this is annual. Okay. Then we will just sign...*

Attorney Rivizzigno: *It's half a year.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Glad you noticed that.*

Ms. Falcone: *Sorry it's my fault I looked at the payment due date on it.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Just, it will read - sign the wastewater agreement - by Town of Lysander, like that, on the agreement.*

Ms. Falcone: *Thanks Tony.*

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN
THE MUNICIPAL COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT FOR LYSANDER PUBLIC
SAFETY COUNCIL OF DEPARTMENTS EDUCATIONAL SERVICES (C.O.D.E.S)**

RES#91/2020

Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the Municipal Cooperative Agreement for Lysander Public Safety Council of Departments Educational Services (C.O.D.E.S). *(This agreement must be renewed every five years).*

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| Supervisor Wicks | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Geraci | Aye |
| Councilor Moore | Aye | Councilor Diamond | Aye | | |

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE
INTERMUNICIPAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE TOWN OF LYSANDER
AND THE VILLAGE OF BALDWINSVILLE**

RES#92/2020

Motion made by Councilor Geraci seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the Intermunicipal Cooperation Agreement between the Town of Lysander and the Village of Baldwinsville. *(This is a one year agreement).*

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| Supervisor Wicks | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Geraci | Aye |
| Councilor Moore | Aye | Councilor Diamond | Aye | | |

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Supervisor Wicks: *This agreement is an agreement between the towns and the villages that we have to have according to Highway Law, it allows the Highway Superintendent to let the village borrow equipment and we borrow equipment from them, and they just conform to Highway Law.*

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE INTERMUNICIPAL
AGREEMENT REGARDING SHARED SERVICES OF CODE ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS
BETWEEN THE TOWNS OF LYSANDER, VAN BUREN AND THE VILLAGE OF
BALDWINSVILLE**

RES#93/2020

Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Diamond to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign the Intermunicipal Agreement regarding Shared Services of Code Enforcement Officers between the Towns of Lysander, Van Buren, and the Village of Baldwinsville. *(This is a one year agreement).*

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| Supervisor Wicks | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Geraci | Aye |
| Councilor Moore | Aye | Councilor Diamond | Aye | | |

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Supervisor Wicks: *What this is - it allows the Town of Van Buren the Town of Lysander and Village of Baldwinsville to share Code Enforcement Officers should they need to do that in case one of their Code Enforcement officers became ill, or wasn't able to perform its duties, they could contract with either municipality with this agreement, and it lays out what the criteria is for that.*

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE SUPERVISOR TO SIGN THE RESOLUTION
AUTHORIZING SETTLEMENT REGARDING SEDGEWICK PROPOERTIES PROCEEDINGS**

RES#94/2020

Motion made by Councilor Diamond seconded by Councilor Kudauskas to authorize the Town Supervisor to approve the Resolution Authorizing Settlement Regarding the Sedgewick Properties Proceedings.

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| Supervisor Wicks | Aye | Councilor Kudauskas | Aye | Councilor Geraci | Aye |
| Councilor Moore | Aye | Councilor Diamond | Aye | | |

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Supervisor Wicks: *Who wants to explain this? What do you think?*

Attorney Rivizzigno: *This is just a basic settlement setting tax grievances that were filed since 2008, several years back - seven properties. The School District and the town were sued. The town was represented by the School District attorney and it has done so for the last several years. This resolution resolves all of those years' grievances and it results in the town paying a refund of about \$7,000 and the School District paying a refund of about \$72,000.*

Councilor Geraci: *I just want to be clear on that Tony. I have the resolution in front of me which was written by you? Or?*

Attorney Rivizzigno: *Brody Smith.*

Councilor Geraci: *Brody Smith. And does it say in there that this is the final settlement and that there's no more – nothing else that will happen?*

Attorney Rivizzigno: *Yeah. It reads - and tells you - what years it's for, on the agreement.*

Councilor Geraci: *Okay. Okay so I mean - this ends. This is done.*

Attorney Rivizzigno: *Yes. Yes.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Any further discussion?*

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE TOWN SUPERVISOR TO SIGN ALL DOCUMENTS
RELEVANT TO THE PURCHASE OF THE TOWN OF LYSANDER STREET LIGHTS WITH
THE BUYOUT WITH NATIONAL GRID NOT TO EXCEED THE AMOUNT OF \$954,028**

RES#95/2020

Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Geraci to authorize the Town Supervisor to sign all documents relevant to the purchase of the Town of Lysander street lights with the buyout with National Grid in the amount not to exceed \$954,028. (Resolution pending final revised buy out letter from National Grid).

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| Supervisor Wicks | Aye | Councilor Kudauskas | Aye | Councilor Geraci | Aye |
| Councilor Moore | Aye | Councilor Diamond | Aye | | |

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Supervisor Wicks: *Just so people know, that Mr. Yager and I - Mr. Yager did the bulk of the work. He brought this to my attention and he thought that we may be paying more than we should, and over the course of three to four months, he's had probably a dozen conversations with National Grid; he and I have had probably half a dozen discussions with National Grid executives - and we were able to come up with a number that was \$40K less than the original number, so our efforts saved the town, and Mr. Yager did 90% of the work here, and we were able to save the town \$41K. So I think it was well worth the time and effort and I want to thank Mr. Yager for his work on that, because I know he put a lot of time and effort into it and it worked out.*

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE NATIONAL GRID CONNECTION OF THE NEW STREET LIGHTS WHICH ARE INCLUDED IN THE LED STREET LIGHT CONVERSION PROJECT

RES#96/2020

Motion made by Councilor Kudauraskas seconded by Councilor Diamond to authorize the National Grid connection of the new street lights at the following locations which are included in the LED Street Light Conversion Project that was previously awarded.

Supervisor Wicks: *Do I need to read this? Okay. There's a number of streets on here, and Radisson, the Radisson Lighting District, The Collington Pointe Lighting District, and the Timber Banks Lighting District, and they will all be online for anyone who is interested in what specific streets they are.*

Radisson Lighting District

- Salvatore Ave @ Drakes Landing
- Salvatore Ave @ Drakes Landing
- Carmellas Circle @ Glacier Ridge Road
- Carmellas Circle Cul-De-Sac
- Verona Court @ Samantha Drive
- Verona Court Cul-De-Sac
- Samantha Drive @ Deep Glade Drive
- Samantha Drive @ Venetian Court
- Samantha Drive @ Venetian Court
- Samantha Drive @ Twilight Court
- Twilight Drive Cul-De-Sac
- Autumn Ridge Path @ Deep Glade Drive
- Autumn Ridge Cul-De-Sac

Collington Pointe Lighting District

- Talamore Way @ Patchett Road
- Talamore Way Tee intersection
- Talamore Way Cul-De-Sac
- Talamore Way Cul-De-Sac

Timber Banks Lighting District

- Long Shadow Drive @ Summers Gate Drive
- Long Shadow Drive @ Bramble Run
- Long Shadow Drive @ Forest Ridge Lane
- Long Shadow Drive Cul-De-Sac
- Bramble Run @ Forester Watch Run
- Bramble Run @ Morning Mist Drive
- Bramble Run @ Split Rail Drive
- Forest Ridge Lane @ Summers Gate Drive
- Tall Tree Lane @ River Road
- Tall Tree Lane @ YMCA employee parking drive
- Tall Tree Lane @ YMCA West entrance
- Tall Tree Lane @ YMCA East entrance

Councilor Geraci: *Yeah, just for clarification, what is this Al? These are not all of the lights that are going...*

Mr. Yager: *No, so these are relatively new sections of these developments.*

Councilor Geraci: *Okay.*

Mr. Yager: *Because we knew we had the street light buyout coming in the relatively near future we never had National Grid install street lights in, so we included the new streetlight installation and the LED Retrofit Contract that we signed with Danforth.*

Councilor Geraci: *Okay so these are all new?*

Mr. Yager *Yes. These are all brand new lights. They are all locations where there is not an existing light.*

Councilor Geraci: *And they are going to be included in the resolution we just passed? The nine hundred?*

Councilor Geraci: *No, no. That's separate. There's the National Grid buyout which we just passed, and then the contract that was awarded to Danforth regarding the Retrofit and the installation of the new lights.*

Supervisor Wicks: *Good? Any further discussion?*

MOTION TO ACCEPT DEDICATION OF THE PROPOSED DRAINAGE EASEMENT LOCATED BETWEEN LOTS 8 AND 12 IN THE TALAMORE SUBDIVISION

RES#97/2020

Motion made by Councilor Diamond seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas to accept dedication of the proposed drainage easement located between lots 8 and 12 in the Talamore subdivision and authorize the expenditure of up to \$1,200 from the Collington Pointe Drainage District (*that's added in there*) for materials to construct the drainage improvements with the labor for the installation to be provided by the homeowner's contractor.

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| Supervisor Wicks | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Geraci | Aye |
| Councilor Moore | Aye | Councilor Diamond | Aye | | |

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE EXPENDITURE OF \$14.99 MONTHLY FOR A ZOOM MEETING BUSINESS SUBSCRIPTION

RES#98/2020

Motion made by Councilor Moore seconded by Councilor Kudauraskas to authorize the expenditure of \$14.99 monthly for a Zoom Meeting Business subscription which will be used to host virtual Town Board, Planning Board and Zoning Board meetings and conduct other Town business remotely.

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| Supervisor Wicks | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Geraci | Aye |
| Councilor Moore | Aye | Councilor Diamond | Aye | | |

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Mr. Yager: *Mr. Supervisor, after further research we can go with a pro subscription rather than a business subscription which is \$14.99 a month.*

Councilor Kudarauskas: *Al, I just want to thank you for saving us \$5.00 a month and your research so I appreciate it!*

Supervisor Wicks: *We are saving money everywhere! It all adds up.*

Councilor Kudarauskas: *It sure does.*

Councilor Geraci: *And I just have a quick question. Is this a monthly basis or are we committing to a year?*

Mr. Yager: *It is on a monthly, but you have an option you commit to a year subscription - a little bit cheaper, or you can do a month to month basis. You know, when I talked to Bob earlier it's probably in our best interest to do the year's subscription, and I just don't see this going away - it saved us about \$20 if we do the full year subscription so there's a little bit of savings if you do the full year subscription - I just don't see the need for this going away...*

Councilor Geraci: *But we are doing just a monthly?*

Mr. Yager: *We are doing a monthly at this point in time. I mean, we do have an option, if we want to - this allows us to spend up to \$14.99 a month if we do a year it would be about \$20 less.*

Councilor Geraci: *I'm fine with this.*

Supervisor Wicks: *And this is something that I know I need. The other towns have it and when I do the virtual meetings I'm going to need that and I'm sure other people are going to need it too. They are starting to get used to it so I'm sure they like it and Mr. Kudarauskas uses it all the time so he is going to be our expert on showing us how to use it. Any further discussion on that?*

**MOTION TO AUTHORIZE THE PARKS AND RECREATION SUPERVISOR
TO HIRE DAVID SITAR AS PART-TIME LABORER FOR THE PARKS DEPARTMENT**

RES#99/2020

Motion made by Councilor seconded by Councilor Moore to authorize the Parks and Recreation Supervisor to hire David Sitar as a part-time laborer for the parks for a maximum of 16 hours a week at the negotiated rate of \$15.62 per hour.

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| Supervisor Wicks | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Geraci | Aye |
| Councilor Moore | Aye | Councilor Diamond | Aye | | |

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

Supervisor Wicks: *This is not a new hire; this is a seasonal hire that we usually try to fill, and the negotiated rate is negotiated in the labor contract with the Teamsters so that is set. Any further discussion on that?*

Supervisor Wicks: *We are going to table Item K until we can talk to the HW Superintendent, and get some additional information. Any new business from anyone from the Board:*

TABLED

Motion made by _____ seconded by _____ to authorize the Highway Superintendent to hire Alecia Kolbaum at a rate of pay of \$ _____ as a part-time Highway Clerk to fill-in when the regular Highway Clerk is out on leave.

Supervisor Wicks: *Anybody see a need to have an Executive Session tonight? Okay neither do I. May I get a motion to adjourn at 6:29 PM?*

Adjournment

Motion made by Councilor Diamond seconded by Councilor Kudarauskas to adjourn the Town Board Meeting at 6:29 PM.

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| Supervisor Wicks | Aye | Councilor Kudarauskas | Aye | Councilor Geraci | Aye |
| Councilor Moore | Aye | Councilor Diamond | Aye | | |

Roll Vote: All ayes, motion carried.

This is a true and complete recording
of the action taken at this meeting.

Dina Falcone, Town Clerk